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SUBJ: CONSULTATIONS ON RECOVERY EFFORT FOR ZAIRE

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1. DURING MY FAREWELL CALL ON FIREIGN MINISTER KARGOUGOU
JUNE 6, I ASKED HIM FOR HIS REACTION TO RECENT EVENTS
IN SHABA PROVINCE OF ZAIRE.

2. KARGOUGOU SAID THAT UPPER VOLTA SUPPORTED THE OAU
PRINCIPLE OF NO OUTSIDE INTERVENTION IN THE INTERNAL
AFFAIRS OF AFRICAN STATES. THE SHAVA SITUATION, HOWEVER,
WAS DIFFERENT. STRESSING THAT THESE WERE HIS PERSONAL
OPINIONS (HE CLAIMED THAT MATTER HAD NOT BEEN DISCUSSED
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WITHIN VOLTAN GOVERNMENT), KARGOUGOU EXPLAINED THAT
ZAIRE WAS BEING ATTACKED BY OUTSIDE FORCES, AIDED
AND ABETTED BY THE SOVIET UNION AND CUBA. IN THE
CIRCUMSTANCES, IT SEEMED ONLY NATURAL THAT ZAIRE SHOULD
TURN TO ITS FRIENDS FOR ASSISTANCE. AS A FRIEND OF
ZAIRE, THE UNITED STATES COULD NOT IGNORE ITS REQUEST
FOR ASSISTANCE. IN PROVIDING AIR TRANSPORT FOR MOROCCAN

TROOPS, THE US WAS DOING THE RIGHT THING. INDEED, MODERATE
AFRICAN STATES WOULD HAVE BEEN DEEPLY DISAPPOINTED IF THE
UNITED STATES HAD ACTED OTHERWISE. GRAHAM

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